STATE OF ALABAMA MACON COUNTY)
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AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID M. WARREN

My name is David M. Warren. I am one and the same as the person identified in a legal action filed in the United States District Court for the Middle District of the State of Alabama as Sheriff David Warren. I am Sheriff of Macon County, Alabama, and have so served since 1995. I have personal knowledge of the statements in this affidavit.

- 1. On Monday, March 13, 2006, I received a Summons, Complaint for Injunctive Relief and Declaratory Judgment and Plaintiffs' Application for Preliminary Injunction and Expedited Hearing in a case titled, "Macon County Investments, Inc.; Reach One, Teach One of America, Inc., Plaintiffs, v. David Warren, in his official capacity as the Sheriff of Macon County, Alabama".
- 2. One of my employees delivered the documents to me at my residence at 10851 U.S. Hwy 80 West, Shorter, Alabama on Monday, March 13, 2006.
- 3. On that day, I delivered the same to my attorneys, informing them that I had been served on that day with the Summons and Complaint.
- 4. Subsequently, I was informed that, on March 11, 2006, one of the employees at the Macon County Detention Facility, actually received the mail and signed an acknowledgement of receipt of the above referenced court documents.
- 5. Specifically, Valerie Smith received the same and signed the Return of Service. Valerie Smith is employed as a dispatcher at the Macon County Detention Facility.
- 6. Ms. Smith is not a deputy and her duties do not include accepting service of process on behalf of the Sheriff's Office.

- 7. Ms. Smith has not been designated by this Office as an agent to accept service of process and she has not been authorized by me to accept service of process on my behalf.
- 8. I am informed that Ms. Smith was not aware of the contents or the nature of the documents that she signed for.
- 9. I was out of the county on March 11, 2006 and did not return to the Sheriff's Office until March 13, 2006.
- 10. Through legal counsel, a strong defense is being presented. My attorneys have filed a Motion to Dismiss the action, along with a Brief in Support of the Motion to Dismiss and other filings. I have a meritorious defense and, if the case is not dismissed after argument on the Motion to Dismiss, then an answer will be filed on my behalf.

Dated this 5th day of April, 2006.

AFFIANT

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 5th day of April, 2006.

(SEAL)

MOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: